## MINUTES

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

Thursday, May 19, 2011 1:30 PM or upon adjournment Betty King Committee Room

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Government Organization was held on Thursday, May 19, 2011, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Senator Rodney Ellis, Chair Senator Jane Nelson

## **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Glenn Hegar, Vice Chair Senator Brian Birdwell Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr. Senator Steve Ogden Senator John Whitmire

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The chair called the meeting to order at 1:52 PM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 2439 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

No witnesses testified or registered on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Ellis moved that HB 2439 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1728 and recognized Senator Watson to explained the bill on behalf of the Senate sponsor, Senator Harris.

Witnesses registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Ellis moved that HB 1728 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 326 and recognized Senator Watson to explained the bill on behalf of the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini.

No witnesses testified or registered on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Ellis moved that HB 326 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 86 and recognized Senator Watson to explained the bill on behalf of the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan.

Senator Ellis moved that HCR 86 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 682 and recognized Senator Watson to explained the bill on behalf of the Senate sponsor, Senator Hegar.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Ellis moved that HB 682 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 2:03 PM Senator Ellis moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodney Ellis, Chair

Jessica Schleifer, Clerk